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1. A GROUP OF SIX STAFF MEMBERS FROM SUBCOMMITTEE ON  
LEGISLATION AND NATIONAL SECURITY OF HOUSE GOVERNMENT  
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE PLANS TO VISIT LONDON AND PARIS DURING  
PERIOD AUGUST 27 - SEPTEMBER 5. THEY ARE C. DON STEPHENS,  
EARL F. RIEGER, GUADALUPE R. FLORES, DAVID E. HOLT,  
CRAIG J. GEHRING AND RICHARD C. BARNES. THEY WILL BE

ESCORTED BY MAJOR JEFFREY GRAHAM, USAF. DOD IS FUNDING AS WELL AS MAKING TRAVEL AND OTHER ARRANGEMENTS, INCLUDING LOCAL TRANSPORTATION.

2. EMBASSY LONDON SHOULD RESERVE 3 DOUBLES AND 1 SINGLE IN EUROPA OR BRITTANIA HOTEL FOR PERIOD AUGUST 27 THROUGH 30. EMBASSY PARIS SHOULD RESERVE ROOMS IN MAYFAIR HOTEL AUGUST 31 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 4. STAFFDEL PLANS TO ARRIVE IN LONDON VIA PA 106 AT 0830 AUGUST 27 AND TO DEPART PARIS VIA TW 891 AT 1245 ON SEPTEMBER 5. OPEN TICKETS HELD FOR LONDON-PARIS FLIGHTS.

3. STAFFDEL IS TO CONDUCT REVIEW OF EMBASSY FUNCTIONS AND OPERATIONS IN PREPARATION FOR HEARINGS ON SAME SUBJECT AT THE EMBASSIES TO BE CONDUCTED BY THE SUBCOMMITTEE IN MID-SEPTEMBER. FOR THIS PURPOSE, STAFFDEL WISHES USE OF TWO OFFICES IN EMBASSY LONDON AUGUST 29-31 AND IN EMBASSY PARIS SEPTEMBER 1-2. STAFFDEL ALSO REQUESTS LIMITED SECRETARIAL SUPPORT. AS PART OF ITS REVIEW, STAFFDEL WISHES OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT USG-OWNED OR LEASED (BUT NOT INDIVIDUALLY-LEASED) HOUSING AND REQUESTS THAT MAPS SHOWING SUCH BUILDING LOCATIONS BE MADE AVAILABLE. STAFFDEL HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT EMBASSIES MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO HOUSES AND OF LIKELY NEED TO RENT SEDANS.

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4. STAFFDEL WILL HAVE ONLY GENERAL UNDERSTANDING OF EMBASSY FUNCTIONS AND OPERATIONS ALTHOUGH DEPARTMENT OFFICERS HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTING TO FAMILIARIZE IT WITH NORMAL ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS OF U.S. DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS, AS WELL AS WITH SPECIAL ASPECTS OF USG PRESENCE IN LONDON AND PARIS. DISCUSSIONS HAVE INCLUDED REVIEW OF USOECD FUNCTIONS BUT EXTENT TO WHICH THIS PRESAGES INVOLVEMENT OF USOECD IS DIFFICULT TO FORTELL. STAFFDEL WILL WISH PRIMARILY TO INTERVIEW SECTION CHIEFS, HEADS OF OTHER AGENCY ELEMENTS, AS WELL AS OTHERS IN BOTH LONDON AND PARIS.

5. REPRESENTATIVE JACK BROOKS, CHAIRMAN OF BOTH SUBCOMMITTEE AND FULL COMMITTEE, AND OTHER MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO CONDUCT HEARINGS IN EMBASSY LONDON ON SEPTEMBER 16 AND 17 AND IN EMBASSY PARIS ON SEPTEMBER 19. ONLY SEPTEMBER 16 HEARING WILL BE ON EMBASSY LONDON ACTIVITIES, AS SUBCOMMITTEE INTENDS TO INVITE U.S. SERVICE COMPONENT COMMANDERS TO APPEAR ON SEPTEMBER 17 TO TESTIFY ON INTEROPERABILITY AND OTHER TOPICS. EMBASSIES WILL BE ASKED TO MAKE AVAILABLE AUDITORIUM OR OTHER ROOM OF SUFFICIENT SIZE FOR HEARINGS. SUBCOMMITTEE WILL PROVIDE

HEARING REPORTER. REFTELS ALREADY REQUESTED HOTEL  
RESERVATIONS FOR THIS PURPOSE. CHRISTOPHER

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